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Photo by Mark Arike

Billy Pickard (middle) is assisted as she lays a wreath at the cenotaph during the Remembrance Day ceremony in Haliburton Village. Pickard served during the Second World War in Normandy as part of the postal corps in 1944. See story on page 12.

Poppy theft leaves legion 'disappointed'

By **Matthew Desrosiers**
 Editor

The theft of a poppy campaign donation box from the hockey arena in Wilberforce has left the community feeling betrayed.

"I was disappointed beyond belief," said Wilberforce Legion Branch 624 president Keith Levia. "It reminded me of the first time there was something stolen on my street. We're such a small community."

Levia lives on a dead-end street near Baptiste Lake in Highlands East. He said he and his neighbours shared everything, never locked their doors, and looked out for one another. When some people broke into the barn next door and stole two snowmobiles, it left an impact on the rest of the street.

"Our little corner of the world ... suddenly became like everyone else," he said. "We felt violated. It really took something away from the enjoyment of our own little private space over here."

"I felt the same way when the poppies were gone. It was such a violation of such a basic principal that I grew with up for years. Poppy vials were inviolate."

The last time the poppies were seen was on Nov. 7. Levia's wife went to check on the box two days later, only to find out it had been stolen.

"When she came back to me and told me about it, there were no words," he said.

Levia said his disappointment is beyond being upset at another human being, but more

that something unique has been peeled away from the community.

"It's unspoken. No one ever had to tell you not to steal a poppy box," he said. "But the fact that it's local? That hurts."

The poppy campaign will not be affected by the theft, he said. There likely wasn't a lot of money in the box.

"The disappointment is not what we lost, it's that there's someone in our little town that would stoop to that level."

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An OPP officer guards a CH-146 Griffon helicopter used in the search for a downed aircraft in Algonquin Park.

Two men killed in plane crash near Haliburton

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

A pilot and his passenger are dead after the aircraft they were flying in crashed in a heavily wooded area approximately 20 kilometres south of Whitney, along the border of Haliburton County and Algonquin Park.

According to the OPP, an aircraft contacted the Toronto Area Control Centre around 8:30 p.m. on Nov. 11 to report an "airborne emergency". They lost communication with the aircraft shortly thereafter.

The Joint Rescue Coordination Centre dispatched a CH-146 Griffon Helicopter

and a CC-130 Hercules Aircraft, both from 424 Squadron at 8 Wing/CFB Trenton.

The Hercules located a distress beacon from the missing aircraft. Search and rescue technicians then located the bodies of the deceased men around 4:40 a.m. after being hoisted down to the scene by the Griffon aircraft.

According to OPP Sgt. Kristine Rae, members of the Haliburton Highlands OPP were leading the investigation into the crash.

"They are on the scene," said Rae early Wednesday afternoon.

Members of the OPP Emergency Response Team also attended the scene.

The cause of the crash is currently under investigation with the assistance of the Transportation Safety Board. According to an updated press release, the identities of the men will not be released until post-mortem examinations have been completed and next-of-kind are notified.

Several media reports are stating that the two men were in their 20s and had departed on their flight from Toronto Buttonville Municipal Airport.

Anyone with information about the crash is asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

For updates to this story visit highlanderonline.ca.

Theft charges against Hollands dropped

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

All charges against a Haliburton woman who was accused of participating in numerous vehicle thefts across the county have been withdrawn.

Early this past year, Katlyn Hollands was charged in connection with a string of thefts dating back to last spring. All

charges against her were dropped on Nov. 5 at the Minden courthouse.

Hollands was initially arrested and charged along with Michael Wallwork in connection with numerous offences, including theft under \$5,000 and possession of cocaine and marijuana, after plainclothes and uniformed officers executed a search warrant at a residence on Wigamog Road in Haliburton.

A total of 29 charges were laid against Hollands and Wallwork.

On Feb. 27, Wallwork was convicted of two counts of theft under \$5,000 from a motor vehicle, possession of a Schedule I, II or III drug, possession of property obtained by crime, and failure to comply with a probation order.

He received jail time and was ordered to pay \$300 in victim surcharges.

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Photos by Mark Arike and Matthew Desrosiers
Above: The Dysart et al Fire Department attends a rollover on Highway 118 and Parish Line Road on Nov. 7. Right: An OPP officer begins his investigation into a rollover in Highlands East at Highway 118 and Loves Road.



Icy roads a factor in early morning accidents

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Two motor vehicle accidents in Haliburton, one in Minden Hills and another in Highlands East brought traffic to a slowdown on the morning of Nov. 7. A female driver was sent to hospital to be treated for minor injuries after colliding with another vehicle on Highway 118, near Parish Line. A trailer could be seen on its side near the accident scene.

Just a short distance away, near Burkes Road, a truck had flipped onto its roof. The driver escaped without injuries. Dysart fire crews responded to the accident scenes to reduce traffic down to one lane. EMS and Haliburton Highlands OPP also were also on scene. On Highway 503 near Furnace Falls, a 2005 black Chevrolet Trailblazer entered the ditch, hit a culvert and a log wall. The truck rolled over onto its passenger side. The male driver sustained minor injuries, while the other two passengers, a 46 year-old woman and a 10-year-old girl, were transported to Toronto hospitals with serious injuries. Highway 503 was down to one lane for several hours while police conducted their investigation. The last accident involved a box truck that struck a guard rail and a rock cut before landing on its side at Loves Road and Highway 118. The driver in this incident walked away unscathed. To date, no charges have been laid in this accidents.

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Editorial opinion

Poppy theft is a disgrace



By Matthew Desrosiers

Disappointment. Anger. Outrage.

All words to describe how people in Wilberforce are feeling after a poppy box was stolen from the arena on Friday.

I first heard about the incident on Remembrance Day. I was at the cenotaph in Wilberforce, taking pictures for the newspaper, when the Legion's president Keith Levia called me over. I couldn't believe what I was hearing – someone stole from the Legion?

Stealing from the Legion's bar float or other fundraisers would already be heinous, but to take from the poppy fund... there are no words.

From a young age we're taught to honour our veterans and soldiers, to thank them for their service, and above all, to remember their sacrifice. We grow up respecting these men and women and develop a sense of duty to help look after them. We owe them at least that much.

That's part of the reason why poppy boxes are left unattended in public places, like hockey arenas, because nobody would ever – ever – steal from the Legion's poppy fund.

That money is used by The Royal Canadian Legion to care for our veterans through advocacy, financial assistance, mental health support services, housing and homelessness support, and other programs.

But the people in Wilberforce aren't mad about the money – let's face it, one poppy box won't break the campaign. They're ashamed that one of their own would stoop so low as to steal from the very people we have a duty to support, and they're taken this affront personally – Levia used the word 'violated' to describe how he felt about the whole ordeal.

Violated is an appropriate word, because there's something dirty about what happened. It leaves the community feeling unclean and unsure of what's next. If someone is willing to steal from veterans, then what else are they willing to do? And in Wilberforce, of all places. This is the kind of thing you hear about in Toronto, but never in Wilberforce, a community where everyone comes together to support their own. A place where community events are always well-attended, not because people are desperate for things to do but because they like being out with their neighbours.

Wilberforce, a place where everyone knows and trusts one another.

There's a person somewhere who is now \$20 richer, and what's worse is that if this person really needed the money that badly, any one of their neighbours would have helped out.

Instead, they chose to take from people who have already given us everything.

I wrote last week about the importance of supporting our Legions, and on Remembrance Day our communities did just that. Turnout was high at all the ceremonies in our county, and our veterans went home knowing how proud and thankful we are for them.

What happened in Wilberforce, although disgusting, won't change that. The Wilberforce Legion and its veterans always have and will continue to enjoy outstanding support from its community. But it does leave us wondering who in our community could do something like that.

Can't we all just get along



By Charlie Teljeur

If we've learned anything from the events surrounding the recent municipal elections it's this: we're evidently more passionate about politics than we might have first believed and we need to learn a thing or two about winning (and losing) elegantly.

It's no secret that some of the local races elicited very strong emotions from the electorate. In fact what happened, specifically in Minden Hills, was full-blown, no holds barred vitriol and nastiness. It seems that the ugliness of modern campaigning had finally hit locally. It had all the makings of tribal warfare.

I found these events fascinating to witness but also, quite honestly, rather disheartening as well. If there's one thing people in an area like Haliburton County need to comprehend it is the very basic concept of being able to play together nicely. We really need to appreciate the absolute importance of all of us getting along. Frankly, I don't think most of us do.

This isn't just about being congenial and smiling at your neighbor. It's about all of us having that base desire to do what's best for everyone on a collective level, even – and this is the part most people have trouble with – if it means doing something that might not be palatable to you on a personal level. In other words, the sheer nature of democracy itself means you won't always get what you want.

This simple concept does not translate well locally. It never has. We are an area historically based on tiny pockets of people scattered here and there with barely enough of a population to warrant a road sign, yet we all scream very loudly when it comes to determining exactly where to put the park bench. We spend way too much time arguing about the minutiae while at the same time disregarding the bigger picture.

Let's look at ourselves mathematically. We are a county of roughly 20,000 in a province of almost 14 million and a country of almost 36 million. Haliburton County (coupled together with other districts mind you, to make up an actual full-fledged district) is but one riding out of 107 in the province and one of 308 in the nation. No one at Queen's Park, let alone Parliament Hill, gives us much

thought. Truth be told, we aren't significant.

Which is why it's absolutely paramount that we work together to create a unified force. This isn't a rallying cry for a sentimental group hug. It's the only way we will things get done.


While an issue in Highlands East might seem far removed from one in Algonquin Highlands or one in Dysart et al, when it really comes down to it we're extremely similar, and that's a good thing. We all just need to first recognize that fact and then nurture it.

Those who might scoff at this idealism need only to look at how we react collectively to personal traumas that affect those who live here. When someone's house burns down what do we do? When one person's home is flooded by an overflowing waterway, who's there to offer accommodation and support? Is the precedent for looking out for each other not already firmly entrenched here? Why can't that same concern extend to our politics? Are we really so vastly different that we need to revert to juvenile name calling and slugging local residents who don't exactly mirror our politics? If your first reaction to these questions is "well, she started it," then you're entirely missing the point.

"A house divided against itself cannot stand."

These words, spoken by President Abraham Lincoln, are so simple yet so ultimately poignant. They are also exactly what is wrong with the United States at the present time. There is no sense of community in America and subsequently nobody cares about their neighbour. Theirs is a society defined by insular behavior and is almost literally every man for himself.

This is a cautionary tale for the residents of Haliburton County. While we're nowhere close to the polarized society we see south of the border, the seeds for our own demise aren't far from taking root. If we're smart, we first recognize the symptoms and then work together to find a cure for the disease.

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Letters to the editor

Democracy more than elections

Dear editor,

With the election just behind us, it seems like an appropriate time to remind our elected leaders that an effective democracy is about more than asking for our vote every four years. One important topic that I believe deserves immediate attention and action well before the next election by the new council in Dysart et al is representation by population.

Representation by population was one of the guiding principles on which our country was founded. Students in grade school learn of the importance of the concept in their history classes. Around the world most democracies operate based on the approach that all votes are equal, or at least approximately so given variations in population growth rates.

Most residents likely believe that no matter where they live in Dysart each voter carries an equal weight in electing our local council. Unfortunately, due to inaction by previous councils that has not been the case for the past few municipal elections. Some wards have an actual voter count that is well more than double that of others. In last month's election, Ward 1 had 1,568 eligible voters while Ward 2 had 3,855! Ward 4 was also too large at 3,478 while Ward 3 had only 1,952 eligible voters. The numbers were similar in 2010.

What this means is that voters from West Guilford, Kennisis Lake and Donald, among others, and their surrounding areas carry less than half the weight of a vote from the village of Haliburton when it comes to electing a local councillor.

When I inquired about this I was told that previous councils had discussed the matter. Obviously they felt no need to act. Shifting ward boundaries is not complex and simply depends on our council deciding to act in a fashion consistent with the democratic concepts practiced elsewhere.

Action on this front might even help increase voter turnout in the next election. After all leaders who by example demonstrate a high regard for such critical concepts are likely to find voters who reciprocate by taking their responsibility to vote a little more seriously. Not acting sends a different message to voters all across Dysart.

Elected leaders in Dysart et al, show voters they are all equally important in your eyes by more effectively balancing the voter population across our five wards. Action is long overdue.

John D. Smith
Kennisis Lake

Family says thank you

Dear editor,

The family of the late James (Jimmy O'Neill) would like to thank family, friends and community members for your support and thoughtful words during our most difficult time. Special thank you to Dr. Bottum, the nurses and staff at Haliburton hospital and Monck's Funeral home for your insight and compassion. Your presence was a great comfort to the family.

It warmed our hearts to see so many of you who knew Jimmy and who took the time

and travelled so far to attend the funeral. We have all been touched, humbled and had our faith renewed by the outpouring of such compassion, strength, heartfelt generosity shown by all of you and the community we live in.

Jimmy's passing has left a void that cannot be filled, and no one can ever take his place, but he will always be remembered in our thoughts, in our prayers and in our memories.

Kim, Shyanna, Carter, Jake & Micayla;
Randy, Claudette and Ryan O'Neill

Definitely not the Ritz

As you read this missive I may well be slumped in a grubby trailer, shoehorned between two large, slightly smelly men who fart and belch at frequent intervals... And the thing is, I'll be loving it.

Now, if you'd told me that this would be the case upon my emigration to Canada before I left Blighty, I may well have burned my immigration papers and stayed firmly put in my warm, clean, not-inhabited-by-farty-men (apart from me) apartment in London. Thankfully though, no one got around to telling me the nitty-gritty of the hunt camp before I arrived. Actually, on reflection, not one person that I spoke to since my arrival in Canada thought to mention these less savoury elements of the grand hunting tradition that still live strong in the place I now call home. Hmm...

That said, I am now ensconced in the hunt camp. It is a ramshackle and yet wonderfully functional place, just so long as you don't want for too many luxuries. There are two long extended trailer homes adjoined by a covered walkway, which doubles as a walk-in beer cooler. In the first trailer are the kitchen, dining and living areas. No one is allowed in

the kitchen by orders of the cook. Many think this is because he doesn't want folks to see what he's doing to our food, but I'm of the optimistic persuasion and so I believe that it's because he needs space to work his culinary 'magic'. And magic it certainly is, to feed 20 hungry hunters a two course breakfast, lunch and dinner every day!

The dining area is nothing if not functional – trestle tables, chairs and a plethora of brightly-coloured condiments. You Canadian folks will insist on slathering that vile bright green relish on everything! Then, there's the living room. Sofas and chairs of every style, shade and historical lineage (read state of disrepair) line the perimeter of the room. The only two spaces not taken up by seating are filled by the oil stove, an ancient metal beast that glows red hot night and day and keeps the temperatures in the tropical range constantly, and the bar. This, the most important piece of furniture in the room, if not the entire camp, holds an impressive assortment of alcoholic beverages; impressive that is, so long as you like rum. There is a solitary bottle of Canadian Club standing forlornly at the back, a gift to the camp from some well-meaning but

Photo of the week



Photo by Guenter Horst

The snow has arrived in Haliburton County.

Hunting not about the kill

Dear editor,

I would like to pass along a bit of information to Susan Bernard who wrote a letter for the Oct. 30 issue of The Highlander.

Hunting, for the most part in Haliburton, is not a sport. It is a way of feeding ourselves. It is also not a "delight in the kill." I myself harvested a beautiful buck this year with my bow. I thanked the deer for its gift so my family would have food this winter. Most hunters are very respectful to the animals they

take, and talk about organic meat.

Have you never been proud of anything you have achieved? Some of these hunters are young adults and it is their first time harvesting meat for their family. I could be wrong, but I would say you are not from here or you would totally understand, hunter or not. I'm going to my freezer for some organic bush beef!

Val Balaski
Haliburton

The Outsider



By Will Jones

obviously completely clueless individual who visited a few years back. We won't mention any names but suffice to say he is English and he knows better now!

The living room is the hub of activity, whether that be the serious planning of tomorrow's hunt or the hijinks that follow a successful day out in the bush. One thing to watch out for on nights such as this is the Barber wearing lederhosen, a Groucho Marx mask and buck teeth (don't ask why, please don't ask why!).

Across the walkway from the 'living' trailer are the sleeping quarters. Here is where things get a little bit worrisome if you do not come prepared. An oil stove, stoked to the same roasting temperature as that in the other trailer, belts out a heat that bakes occupants to a just-out-of-the-oven readiness in a matter of minutes. Beds nearest to the two trailer doors are fought over by the not-quite senior but definitely longstanding members of the camp. I say this because being a newcomer I have no choice of my bunk, and because the most senior members – the guys who started the camp many moons ago – are the crazy old fools who insist on the heat being so high in

the first place.

In the dead of night the room is pitch dark but silent it is not. Snoring is obviously a common ailment of fellows in the hunt camp and by the sounds of some of them, it is viewed as a sport that they are masters of. Between the snorts, bellows and harrumphs of the sleepers come the toots, boffs and ear-splitting farts that signify chaps who have exercised well, eaten well and drunk quite well too. I advise anyone venturing into this maelstrom of noise and nasty niffs for the first time to take two sets of ear plugs, one set for the ears and one for the nose.

Yes, the hunt camp is a rough and ready affair and one that can make your eyes water at times. And it is probably best that the truisms, the real nitty-gritty of the hunt camp, are best left to experience rather than being listed on some warning sign at the gate. But for all of its lack of five-star rating, the hunt camp is a place that is magic and a time that I have come to look forward to each and every fall.

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: *Are you ready for winter driving?*



Bob Hope
Minden

Yes I am ready. Had the car serviced and winterized and new winter wiper blades. I have really good tires and I drive more slowly.

Joanne Kinsella
Azilda

Yes! We are going to Arizona and that is how we beat the winter driving conditions.



Maria Weerdenburg
Minden

Almost ready. My winter tires are in the back of my car waiting to put them on and it has been winterized.

Paige Carey
Haliburton

No I am not ready yet. I have an appointment for winter tires and servicing. I do have my winter wiper blades.



Sharon Briscoe
Kushog Lake

I definitely am ready. I love the winter. My new all-season tires are ordered. My son gave me a duffle bag full of emergency winter supplies. Bring it on!

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Jim Blake honoured with Fleming award for service

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Jim Blake has been named one of two recipients of Fleming College's Brian L. Desbians Community Service Award.

"It's always an honour to be recognized," said Blake in a phone interview.

"It's also an honour to receive an award that's named after Brian for community service."

Prior to Tony Tilly, Desbians was the president of Sir Sandford Fleming College. The award was "created to recognize citizens who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to, and concern for, their community, country or beyond."

Blake received the external award, while Josh Feltham, coordinator of the Applied and Community-Based Research program at Frost Campus in Lindsay, picked up the internal award at a recognition lunch on Nov. 11.

A part-time instructor at the Haliburton campus who is heavily involved in the community as an organizer and volunteer, Blake has supported a number of groups and initiatives.

His list of volunteer activities include: co-founder and president of the Haliburton County Community Co-operative; contributing to the development of the Haliburton Creative Business

Incubator; co-founder and treasurer of the Communities in Action Committee; co-founder and chair of the U-Links Centre for Community Based Research and board member of the Trent Centre for Community-Based Education; curator of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest and chair of the Glebe Park committee; steering committee member of the Haliburton County Shoreline Classification Initiative; and co-founder and chair of the Artists in the Schools program.

"I'm not sure how I find the time to do all those things," said Blake, when asked about his long list of accomplishments. "A lot of those things are interconnected, so that's helpful. There's also a lot of other people involved."

Blake said he has been fortunate to work with several skilled and talented individuals, and that he enjoys what he does.

"Some people run marathons and people say, 'How do you find the time to do that?' Well, it's something that they enjoy doing so they find the time. It's the same sort of thing," he explained.

Blake is content with the many hats he currently wears and isn't planning on taking on more work in the near future. However, as president of the co-operative, he admits that new projects can arise.

"You just never know what new idea is



File photo

Jim Blake speaks during a Haliburton County Community Co-Operative meeting.

... going to come to the table," he said, referring to one such initiative known as the Visible Voices Open Arts Studio.

One of the more challenging projects he was part of was the Symposium for Performing Arts in Rural Ontario (SPARC), now being called Supporting Performing Arts In Rural Communities.

"We started working on that a couple of years before the symposium happened," he recalled.

Blake helped secure over \$100,000 of funding from the Ontario Trillium

Foundation to bring the symposium to Haliburton this past spring.

He will be the co-facilitator for SPARC's Network Summit, taking place this coming weekend at the Bonnie View Inn.

As a resident of Haliburton for the past 24 years, Blake continues to be amazed by the network of creative and talented individuals all around him.

"One of the great things is that if you want something to happen in Haliburton, you get a group of people together and you can get started doing it."





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Soothing The Savage Beast

Sometimes life can seem impossible. These were Georgina's thoughts as she rummaged around her kitchen cupboard on a seek and destroy mission. A smell was coming from the deep dark depths behind the bags of flour and oatmeal. Georgina thought she knew the source of the odour and found she was right. A mouse had died back there, caught in a forgotten trap and slowly decaying amongst the packaged food.

For some reason the discovery knocked her for a loop. It wasn't that she had any great love of mice. Quite the contrary. They 'grossed her out' as her granddaughter would say. But she did love all animals big and small and hated to think of the pain the mouse must have experienced before dying. And her cat Herman was supposed to take care of the tiny critters and instead he spent most of his time curled up beside the woodstove. However it was death itself that seemed all around her that dreary snowy November morning.

Remembrance Day was coming up fast. All the talk on the radio and in the newspapers made her think of the old framed photo on her piano. Its brown

tinted images taken in a professional photographer's studio a hundred or so years ago showed two uniformed figures standing side-by-side. The woman in the nurse's uniform was her great aunt. Beside her stood her fiancé, a young infantryman in his World War One uniform. He never made it through the war and Georgina's aunt, while making nursing her life-long career, never married.

Their young faces, optimism and confidence splashed across their features like a shield, were in stark contrast to how they each ended up. He brutally killed in the trenches after an interminable suffering in that battlefield; she turned to tending very ill children day in and day out with copious drinks of sherry every night. And as we know, that war instead of ending all other wars, only laid the groundwork for the next big one in Europe.

To Georgina, it all felt so pointless, so unendingly brutal. And now the dead and stinking mouse. As she carried the trap and its catch at arm's length to the back door, she thought she had to alter the way the day was starting to unfold. Something to 'change the channel' as it were, to get rid of the tension she felt in her arms and

back, the swirling emotions cluttering up her brain.

So she sat down at the piano. Once an accomplished pianist, Georgina was returning to the instrument after an absence of decades. She wasn't very good but that was not the point. The point was that almost as soon as her fingers touched the keys and her eyes locked onto the sheet music, she felt herself loosen. Anxiety drifted away as Georgina struggled to reach the notes and keep time. The melody swept her up and away from the living room, the house, the morning. It transported her.

Such was the power of music, live music and especially the music made by oneself. None of her siblings had experienced this transformative effect with the piano. They had finally convinced their parents that it was a waste of money to push them into further lessons. But oddly (to them) Georgina continued, sitting for an hour and sometimes even two, on the piano bench bent over the ivories.

Today for the first time Georgina realized one of the reasons she had been able to practice so much and so long, besides the beauty of Bach and Beethoven. It was

because playing the piano had been an antidote to all the pain and turmoil of adolescence. When she lost herself in the music, she left behind everything else. There was only the music.

Georgina wasn't certain but guessed all genuine music had this ability. Not the angry noise so often heard now. It had its place in expressing outrage or calling for action or giving voice to those often silenced in society. No she had no quarrel with that. She just didn't see how it was music.

After thirty minutes she stood up and returned to the kitchen. The smell was still there so she opened a window, despite the cold air rushing in. November's grey was being transformed by an early snowfall, altering the bare branches to lace and spreading white over drab brown. Like the new landscape emerging outside her window, Georgina's own mood had shifted. She was ready to get on with her day.



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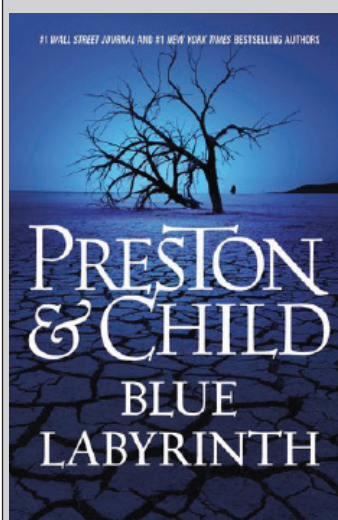
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The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.

HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. *Blue Labyrinth* by Douglas Preston
2. *Private India: City on Fire* by James Patterson
3. *Remembrance: a story* by Alistair MacLeod

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *The World of Ice & Fire: the untold story of Westeros and the Game of Thrones* by George R.R. Martin
2. *American Titan: searching for John Wayne* by Marc Eliot
3. *Hurricane Hazel: a life with purpose* by Hazel McCallion

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

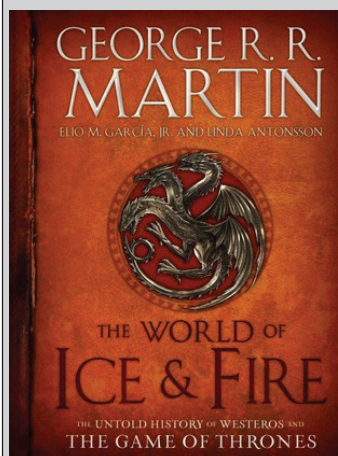
1. *Empire of Shadows* by Miriam Forster (YA)
2. *Hide and Seek Harry at the Beach* by Kenny Harrison (Board Book)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *Maleficent* (DVD)
2. *Us* by David Nicholls (Book on CD)

LIBRARY NEWS

Looking for someone to talk to about that great new book you just read? Why not join a book club? There are branch book clubs in Dorset, Dysart, Gooderham, Minden and Stanhope; or if you are always on the go try HCPL's Online Book Club on Goodreads – available 24/7. Go to haliburtonlibrary.ca and click on "Book Club Resources" for more.





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Meetings and Events

Nov 20

9:00 am, COTW/Regular meeting of Council, Minden Council Chambers, (public session 10:00 am)

Nov 21-23

Festival of Trees, Minden Cultural Centre

Nov 22

11:30 am, Santa Claus Parade, downtown Minden.

Visit www.mindenhills.ca for route info.

6:00 pm, Glitter Fundraising Event, Minden Hills Cultural Centre

Weekly in November

Tuesdays - 7:00 pm, Euchre Night at the Lochlin Community Centre starting Oct. 7.

**Wednesdays & Sundays
12:00 to 2:00 pm**

FREE Public Skating, Minden Arena. Helmets recommended. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Donations accepted. Skate rental & sharpening not available.

Wednesdays - 7:00 pm, Euchre Night at the Irondale Community Centre.

Visit www.mindenhills.ca/calendar/ for details on these and other events.

5th Annual Festival of Trees

AT THE MINDEN HILLS CULTURAL CENTRE
176 Bobcaygeon Road in the village of Minden

Friday, November 21
10am - 8pm
Saturday, November 22
10am - 8pm
Sunday, November 23
12pm - 4pm
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Sensory
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Works by artists Edgardo Moreno, Rod Prouse and Jorge Lozano. How do these artists, as new Canadians, look upon our Northern Ontario landscape? To what extent does their use of video and sound installations in the 'Sensory' show stack up against the traditional iconic imagery of established Canadian artists?

2014 Members' Show
Nov 18 - Dec 20

A great opportunity to see the varied works of our members who are also artists. This year's show features George Farrell's 'Fatal Abstraction,' a photo series on rust. Dec 20 at 3:00 - Closing reception & celebration of the 2014 People's Choice Award winner

Photography Juried Exhibition
Jan 2015

Photos will be juried by Curator Laurie Carmount. Photographers can showcase their prowess and creativity with their camera. Entries accepted from Dec 1 to 5. Visit <http://www.mindenhills.ca/art-gallery/exhibitions/> or 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden for entry forms.

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National Film Board Thursdays
Thursdays from 2:00 to 3:00 pm (ongoing)

Screenings of award-winning documentaries from the National Film Board of Canada.

Nov 20 - REEL INJUN (2009) 88 min. Cree filmmaker Neil Diamond takes an entertaining and insightful look at the Hollywood Indian, exploring the portrayal of North American Natives through a century of cinema. Traveling through the heartland of America, and into the Canadian North, Diamond looks at how the myth of "the Injun" has influenced the world's understanding, and misunderstanding, of Natives.

Painting Time with Harvey Walker- Adults (ongoing)
Monday "NEW" mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
\$5/day/person

Book Launch

Dec 4 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Come join Jack Brezina, Jerelyn Craden and George Farrell as they read excerpts from Farrell's cottage country mystery 'Lonely Lake.' Book purchases, signings and discussion, plus light refreshments.

Felted Stocking Workshop with Nadine Papp
Dec 9 at 6:00 pm

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MINDEN HILLS MUSEUM & PIONEER VILLAGE
705-286-3154 or www.mindenhills.ca/museum

30 Years/ 30 Artifacts Exhibition Opening

Dec 12, 2014 4:00 pm

An unveiling of some museum pieces that have yet to be shown to the public.

Holiday Fun Day

Sat Dec 6 from 11:00 - 3:00 pm

An afternoon of holiday movies and crafts for kids in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Admission by donation.

NATURE'S PLACE

Fahrenheit 1500 - The Nature of Forest Fires

An exhibit looking at both the positive and negative aspects of forest fires and the effect they have on our ecosystem.

The Dead Zones: Lake Ecology

Dec 2-14 - March 20-15

Dead Zones in bodies of water are developing in the lakes and oceans throughout the world. How are they being created? What will happen if we ignore the problem? This exhibition explores the dangers, vulnerabilities and threats of the Dead Zone phenomena.



Holiday Events

Bough Making

The Township of Minden Hills is having a bough making workshop on Wednesday November 12th from 7-9pm at the Minden Community Centre.

These boughs will be used to decorate the downtown core on Friday November 14th. All materials will be provided. Volunteers needed!

Town Decorating

The Township of Minden Hills is looking for volunteers to help decorate the downtown core of Minden this holiday season. Anyone interested can meet in the Village Green on Friday November 14th at 1:00pm. If you have your own scissors, please bring them along!

Tree Trimming

The Township of Minden Hills is hosting a tree lighting ceremony on Saturday November 15th from 4-5pm at the Village Green. There will be free hot chocolate and a special appearance by "Out Loud Womyn's Voices" who will be singing holiday carols. Bring your family out to spread a little cheer this season!

The theme for the tree is "Nature Friendly" so only natural, biodegradable ornaments are being put on the tree. You can get creative at home with some of the ideas listed on our website at www.mindenhills.ca/community-events and bring them along with you to help decorate the tree.

Road Closure

The Township of Minden Hills would like to inform residents and business owners that Bobcaygeon Road (from Prentice Street to Newcastle Street) will be closed on Saturday November 22nd from 11:00-1:00pm for the annual Santa Claus Parade.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

For more information on any of these events please contact Elisha at 286-1936 x204 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca



Notice of Inaugural Meeting of Council

The public is invited to attend the Inaugural Meeting for the newly elected Council, on December 1st at 7:00 pm in the Minden Hills Council Chambers

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for additional ads**

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NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION
1214 Hamilton Road
Proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment (RZ-14-08)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, RSO 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 1214 Hamilton Road and being located in Part of Lot 5, Concession 13 in the geographic Township of Snowdon (see Key Map below).

PURPOSE AND EFFECT The purpose of the site specific amendment is to amend the permitted uses within the current Shoreline Residential Exception 35 (SR-35) Zone to allow for a maximum of twelve (12) detached garages.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext.206).

REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE PLANNING ACT: The Planning Act requires that all complete applications be processed.

A Public Meeting, under the Statutory Requirements of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, as amended, has not yet been scheduled; Notice will be circulated once a date for the Public meeting has been set.

Dated this 13 day of November,
2014

Ian Clendening
Planner

7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359
Minden, ON, K0M 2K0
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KEY MAP
RZ 14-08

This Figure is not an excerpt from the Township of Minden Hills Official Plan or Zoning By-law 06-10, and is not to be considered a legal description of the boundaries of the properties affected by this application; it has been included for reference purposes only.

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Thursday, November 20
Business After Hours

Join us for an *Exclusive Preview* of the Rails End Gallery Boutique Winter Collection and Silent Auction at the next Chamber Business After Hours.

Get a sneak preview of the Silent Auction before bids open on Thursday, Nov. 27 at noon

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Drop in and say hello!

Remembrance Day 2014



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Left: The Wilberforce cenotaph was the site for the community's Remembrance Day parade and ceremony. Wreaths were laid at the cenotaph in honour of those who have fought and died for Canada. Above: Three Wilberforce Elementary School students lay a wreath during the Remembrance Day ceremony in Wilberforce.

Wilberforce remembers

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Highlands East residents came out on Nov. 11 to remember fallen friends, family members, and Canadian heroes who sacrificed their lives in conflicts across the globe.

The turnout was the best in memory for Wilberforce Legion president Keith Levia. "The weather had a lot to do with it," he

said. "It was the best attendance in certainly anybody's memory around."

The Legionnaires led a parade down Loop Road, leading to the cenotaph in the centre of town. After singing 'O Canada' and hoisting the Canadian flag, wreaths were laid at the cenotaph to commemorate the sacrifices of Canadian soldiers.

After the ceremony, a lunch was held at the legion.

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Above: Young members of Haliburton's Royal Canadian Army Cadets march their way back to the Legion following Tuesday's Remembrance Day ceremony. Top: Pipers with the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums band make their way down Highland Street with the rest of the procession. Right: Algonquin Highlands Deputy reeve Liz Daniels joins sergeant-at-arms Brian Hambly to lay a wreath at the cenotaph. Bottom: Dozens of elementary school children cheer on parade participants.

Haliburton Village stands together to remember

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Hundreds stood in silence and solidarity in downtown Haliburton on Nov. 11 to honour the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

The traditional Remembrance Day Ceremony included a parade from the Haliburton Legion to the cenotaph, wreath laying ceremony, playing of The Last Post, and the reading of the honour roll for the

First and Second World Wars. Members of the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums band and the Haliburton Legion branch 129 colour party marched in the parade, as did the cadets.

A moment of silence was observed at 11 a.m. to remember the sacrifices of Canadian armed forces and civilians, and think of all those currently engaged in battle overseas.

Many students from J.D. Hodgson Elementary and Stuart Baker Elementary School attended the event.



Remembrance Day 2014



Photos by Warren Riley

Above: The Minden Remembrance Day parade. Top: Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt lays a wreath at the cenotaph. Right: Two cadets stand guard at the cenotaph.

Remembrance Day in Minden

Warren Riley
Contributing writer

Veterans, families and friends came together on Remembrance Day in Minden to honour and pay tribute to Minden Hills’ living and fallen soldiers.

Led by Piper Fraser MacDonald and Minden’s Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636, the parade travelled down Main Street ending at the Minden cenotaph.


Dignitaries attending the ceremony included

MP Brent Devolin, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt, Minden Hills Deputy reeve Cheryl Murdoch and MPP Shirley Holmes.

Two soldiers at arms stood guard at the cenotaph where tribute wreaths were laid. In the forefront was a garden of white crosses with red poppies.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Joan Cavanaugh and closing ceremonies by legion president Judy Flieger. Following the service, everyone was invited to attend a reception at the Minden Legion on Hwy 35.





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Coming home a challenge in itself Service dog makes life a bit easier for Afghanistan veteran with PTSD

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

When Parry Hiuser joined the Canadian Armed Forces, he was fulfilling a dream.

"It was something I'd wanted to do since high school," said the 43-year-old. "I was a licensed mechanic already and got to join the army as a mechanic. So it was a win-win for me."

Hiuser was 31 when he joined the military. After going through basic and conversion training to learn how to work on military vehicles, he was transferred to Manitoba where he spent his first four years with the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery.

He was then transferred to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Second Battalion.

"That's who I went on tour with."

In 2008, Hiuser began his tour in Afghanistan.

"We were trained in a three-block war," he said. "First was fighting, second was reconstruction, and the third part was mentoring the Afghan National Police and Afghan National Army to take up their own arms."

At that point, the Canadians were two thirds of the way through their mission, but that didn't mean it was safe.

"With all tours, when you first get into the country the threat level is higher," Hiuser said. "They know troops are coming out and coming in, so the fighting is more intense."

He began his tour at the Kandahar Air Field. Hiuser said it was like most of the bases back home, complete with fast food and Tim Hortons. His last four months were the complete opposite.

"[I spent] the last four months outside the wire, at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Wilson," he said. "That was a totally different environment, right in the midst of where all the fighting was going on."

On his way to FOB Wilson for the first time, Hiuser's convoy was hit by an improvised explosive device (IED). While there were no injuries sustained in the attack, Hiuser said

it drilled home how dangerous things were outside the wire.

"Up to that point there were rocket [attacks] in the main camp, but you never actually saw it," he said. "We had very little medical support [at FOB Wilson], so they relied on us to pick up the slack."

Although Hiuser's role was to support, there were times the Canadians were asked to help in a firefight. He also had to leave the base to perform maintenance on equipment or at other strongpoints in the region.

Afghan troops stationed at FOB Wilson were in regular conflict, and Hiuser was often called upon to help in the medical tents.

"My average day would be the Afghan National Police would leave the camp to go on a patrol, you'd hear the explosion, and we'd make our way to the medical station, put our rubber gloves on and wait for them to come in because we knew that there would be casualties."

"There is nothing that can prepare you for what you see and what you do. It's surreal, really."

But it was during the last two weeks of his tour that Hiuser developed what has now been diagnosed as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

"The last two weeks of my tour were tough," he said. "It was my first real exposure to Canadians that I worked with being injured or killed on their last patrol before they got to go home. It was extremely difficult."

When he returned home, Hiuser was diagnosed with an anxiety disorder. He was still in the army, stationed in Manitoba. He requested a transfer to Borden in Ontario to be closer to his family.

"I knew something wasn't right, but as long as I was in uniform it was ok. I was still a soldier, still had the structure and all of that."

Things took a turn for the worse after Hiuser was medically discharged for a back injury he sustained in Afghanistan, and because of his mental state. That's when his PTSD was diagnosed.

"It was very much 'thanks for coming out, bye and see you later,'" he said. "Since then

I've had very little, if any contact with the military."

For Hiuser, PTSD is an emotional trigger. "Talking about certain events, thinking about Remembrance Day, those kinds of things will trigger me in an emotional response which makes me start to cry, or triggers an internal anger that I can't control," he said. "I'm not going to go out and cause havoc. It's a loneliness being inside my brain, basically."

Although he was trained to be tough, Hiuser said the military makes you feel weak for having PTSD.

"When you've seen the things that I've seen, it's not possible to not

have the effects of war. It just takes control, it just takes over. You can't rid yourself of the thoughts. The sights, the smells, the sounds... it's just not possible."

When his PTSD is set off, it can take anywhere from two to three days before Hiuser feels normal again. His wife, Theresa, said his mental condition has put a strain on their relationship.

Together the pair had bought a cottage in Irondale, and one day, after his discharge, Parry said he wanted to move the family there. Theresa agreed.

"We quickly came to realize that he had ulterior motives," she said. "We lived in the bush, in the middle of nowhere. Moving us there meant he didn't have to see anybody. ... That was perfectly fine for him but it wasn't fine for us."

It got so bad that during hunting season, he would hear a gun shot and the family had to go into a room without windows.

"In his mind, he was not in Canada. He was back there, and no one had dealt with that. He didn't want to accept it, and he spiralled really quickly without the support of having the military base and the uniform."

It wasn't until Hiuser started working with Renegade, his PTSD service dog, that he was able to start overcoming some of his triggers.

"Before I had him, I would go into a store and before we even got to the check out, I was in the car," he said. "People would bump

you, not say sorry, but with [Renegade], they have to walk around you. They have to be aware."

The dog watches Hiuser's back when he's in a lineup, or forces people to walk around him, giving Hiuser the

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Parry Hiuser
Afghanistan veteran

space he needs.

"If I get really stressed, [Renegade] lays across my feet. If it gets worse than that, he will actually take my hand and take me away from there."

Now Hiuser is attending legion events in Wilberforce, where he currently lives with his family. He stood guard at the cenotaph during the Remembrance Day ceremonies with Renegade at his side.

"I have a small personal mission for sufferers of PTSD, for veterans or not, to have a service dog," he said. "If I could make it a major program, I would."

Parry and his wife are in the midst of training a second service dog, Yukon, to work with PTSD sufferers. Currently the pair are seeking sponsors so they can help pair a PTSD service dog with every veteran who needs one.

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Left: Safety Liam McLeod makes his way down the field, toward the opposing team’s end zone. McLeod scored the final touchdown of the game. Right: Slotback Mac Rider dodges and weaves his way down the field.

Photos by Mark Arike

Senior Hawks lose in tough battle against Saints

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

They may not be Tier 2 Kawartha champions, however their coach still considers them winners for their effort and performance this season.

“I told them with everything that our football team has been through this year ... that they were winners regardless of what took place yesterday,” said Tim Davies, referring to the speech he gave the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School’s senior football team

moments before their game against St. Peter’s Catholic Secondary School Saints on Nov. 6.

“They were winners before they stepped on the field yesterday,” he added. “I’m very proud.”

The Red Hawks finished the year with a 34-18 loss at home on Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field. The seniors defeated LCVI in a semi-final game during the previous week to advance to the finals.

Their regular season record was 1-4.

At the end of the second quarter, the game could have gone either way as the Hawks

trailed 14-12. Davies said the turning point came when quarterback Tyler Johnson-Perrin took a late hit and was injured for the next three offensive plays.

“Instead of having our whole offense at our disposal, which I believe we would have scored, we ended up getting stopped short of the goal and did not score,” he said.

He was hoping that the Hawks would be able to shut down their opponents when they were inside their own five-yard line, but that didn’t happen either.

“They gained field position back again,” he

recalled. “So I think at that point in time if we stopped them there we’re still in the game, but they scored the next points and the next ones after that.”

Scoring touchdowns for the Hawks were Mac Rider (1), Liam McLeod (1) and Johnson-Perrin (1).

Davies said his team held it together until the fourth quarter.

“We just missed some tackles,” he said. “St. Peter’s deserved to win.”

He congratulated the victors and called it a “hard-fought, clean football game.”

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Monday afternoon, Nov. 3

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High single handicap: Ken Thompson – 271
High triple: Ken Thompson – 586
High triple handicap: Ken Thompson – 655
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High average: Chris Cote – 182
High single: June Fortune – 218
High single handicap: June Fortune – 275
High triple: Chris Cote – 549
High triple handicap: Cathy Thomas – 726

Monday night, Nov. 3

- Men**
High average: Rick West – 214
High single: Rick West – 267
High single handicap: Gary Carter – 295
High triple: Rick Wilson – 618
High triple handicap: Rick Wilson – 732
- Women**
High average: Cathy Snell – 215
High single: Linda Therrien – 193
High single handicap: Linda Therrien – 256
High triple: Cathy Snell – 571
High triple handicap: Loretto Cummings – 690

Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 4

- Men**
High average: Ken Thompson – 214
High single: Ken Thompson – 309
High single handicap: Ken Thompson – 320
High triple: Ken Thompson – 717
High triple handicap: Ken Thompson – 750
- Women**
High average: Chris Cote – 177
High single: Chris Cote – 228
High single handicap: Chris Cote – 265
High triple: Mabel Clendenning – 522
High triple handicap: Donna Darby – 671

Wednesday Special Olympics, Oct. 29

- Men**
Robert Boccitto – 162
Brandon Bailey – 162
Ross Anderson – 154
Brent Leffering – 138
- Women**
Lisa Burk – 145
Alyssa Whitaker – 126
Heather Fowler – 116

Thursday, Nov. 6

- Men**
High average: Jim Cummings – 179
High single: Jim Routcliff – 221
High single handicap: Wes Lowell – 275

- High triple: Jim Routcliff – 572
High triple handicap: Jim Routcliff – 704
- Women**
High average: Barb Ballantyne – 176
High single: Gloria Wagg – 218
High single handicap: Gloria Wagg – 265
High triple: Barb Ballantyne – 523
High triple handicap: Gladys Routcliffe – 690

Friday afternoon, Nov. 7

- Men**
High average: Ken Thompson – 210
High single: John Whitty – 246
High single handicap: John Whitty – 277
High triple: Ken Thompson – 609
High triple handicap: Gary Hunt – 690

- Women**
High average: Chris Cote – 174
High single: Pearl Foster – 221
High single handicap: Pearl Foster – 277
High triple: Chris Cote – 588
High triple handicap: Pearl Foster – 740



Emsley first

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Nick Emsley finished his racing season on a high note, finishing first in the single track challenge, a 50-kilometre race at Hardwood Ski & Bike.

Emsley was defending his title from last year.

“During the race I broke my chain and had to fix it on the trail, but I was able to catch back up enough to claim first place,” he said.

The race happened on Oct. 18.

Despite the strong finish, this wasn’t the season Emsley was expecting.

“The 2014 race season has been challenging,” he said. “I missed some races at the beginning of the year due to a broken collar bone, but I still won the Ontario XC Marathon Series, and a fifth place finish at Crank the Shield.”

Emsley will be racing for a new team in 2015. AWI Racing is owned by Andrew Watson, who will also be his new coach.

Emsley thanked his sponsors and everyone who helped him throughout the season, including The Highlander, JoAnne Sharpley’s Source for Sports, Haliburton Indoor Cycling, Haliburton RPM, Sir Sam’s Ski & Bike, Landscape Concepts, Integrity Construction, Webmade, Minden Mercantile & Feed CO., Bulk Food Store, and his parents.

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Left: The Red Hawks looked to their running game to earn them the win against Campbellford. Right: The team celebrates their win by diving into a mud puddle.

Red Hawks win junior football Kawartha Tier 2 championship

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

He said it would be a one-touchdown game, but in the end it was even closer than that.

After dominating Holy Cross two weeks ago to earn a berth in the finals, coach Bruce Griffith said the Nov. 6 game against Campbellford would come down to one score. The final score was 9-6 for the Red Hawks.

"It was stressful," Griffith said of Campbellford's last drive in the dying minutes of the game. "Our defence played awesome, but you can't stop them every time."

Late in the fourth, down by three points, Campbellford took a shot at the end zone. The pass just grazed the receiver's fingers, and just like that it was over. The Red Hawks were

champions.

"That was the first time they'd [Campbellford] been in a championship game and they wanted it bad," Griffith said. "Everyone played hard."

The Red Hawks got off to an early start, pounding the ball into the end zone to go up 7-0 in the first quarter. But from that point on, the game was back-and-forth with penalty flags flying everywhere.

"We had a lot of back luck this game, flags, flags and flags," Griffith said. "How many drives did we have the whole game that were denied because of penalties? It should have been 21-0 for us at the half were it not for penalties."

In the third quarter, the Red Hawks reached the end zone only to have the play called back

on a penalty. The ensuing play was also a touchdown, and was once again called back.

The fourth quarter saw Campbellford deep in their own end after a penalty, down 7-0. Instead of punting the ball, the quarterback took a knee in the end zone, giving up the safety to the Red Hawks. The ball was placed at the 35-yard line with the Red Hawks offence on the field.

However, the Red Hawks would turn the ball over and on the ensuing drive, Campbellford scored a touchdown of their own. The offense tried for a two-point conversion, which would have tied the game, but they fell short.

What followed next was taken directly from a football movie script.

Campbellford attempted an on-side kick.

The ball was fumbled by the Red Hawks and Campbellford recovered, beginning their drive towards the Red Hawks' end zone. But the Red Hawks defence held strong, earning the stop on Campbellford's last play for the end zone. Had they scored, the Red Hawks would have been behind with seconds left on the game clock.

"[The defence has] been awesome all year," Griffith said.

Griffith confirmed that after 26 years coaching football, this will likely be his last season.

"This is a highlight," he said. "We won. It was a great season."

Peppermill Peewee AE

Submitted by Jon Petrie

The Peewee AE's, proudly sponsored by the Peppermill, finally caught some breaks this weekend. It's been a difficult start to the season, losing some tough one-sided affairs by clearly superior teams. But this Storm team is a resilient bunch, and despite the losses, have continued to pour everything they have into each game. The boys started the weekend getting soundly beaten by the Muskoka Rock. Although they showed moments of sustained pressure, clearly the ice was tilted in the Rock's favour.

They then travelled to Sunridge for their second game of the day against the Almaguin Ice Devils. It was a well-matched game with both teams trading chances early. Storm goalie Nate Misco had a fantastic game, saving many early chances which allowed our boys to gain confidence. Although Almaguin scored first, the Storm were quick to respond as a pass by William Petrie found Tyler Martin who wristed a nice shot from the hash marks. The teams traded two more goals, one as Billy Walker kept the puck in at the blue line and fed Brenden Newhook along the boards. Newhook was quick to see his opportunity and deftly steered the puck out front before finding the corner to even it up.

The Devils stretched the lead to 5-2 in the second but just as it looked like it was getting out of hand, Brady Baldry stole the puck off the face-off and scored with 18 seconds left to keep the game within reach. The back and forth affair continued in the third as the Devils reclaimed their three-goal lead early in the period. The Storm refused to give up and continued to battle hard. With under a minute, Tim Turner and Jake Sisson worked the puck in the slot to Martin who sniped his second of the game and breathe new life back into the squad. Right off the face-off, Newhook and Sisson fed Baldry who scored with only 1:29 left. Although they threw everything they had at the beleaguered Devil squad, they couldn't pull out the comeback.

It mattered little as the team discovered that they can compete with this team when a full effort is given which, for now, is victory enough. This is a much needed lesson for this developing team.

RM Carpentry Atom A

Submitted by Jason Glecoff

The Atom A Highland Storm team competed in the South Huron Tournament, taking on the Thamesford Attack in Game 1.

The Storm came out strong and took it straight to the former OMHA Champion

Attack. In the second, Thamesford struck first but the Storm tied it up right away with a goal. Thamesford regained the lead and despite pulling the Storm pulling their goalie in the last two minutes, the final score remained 2-1 for the Attack.

The Storm came out strong in Game 2 versus the South Huron Sabres. A minute-and-a-half into the game, it was 1-0 Storm. The Sabres tied it going into the second period. By the end of the second period, the Storm was down 3-1 but firing on all cylinders. Great forechecking, stellar defence, and brilliant goaltending from Maddock get the game within reach. It all paid off with a come from behind victory from the Storm in the best game they have played this year. Final Score 4-3 Storm.

Despite a hard-fought game, the Storm dropped Game 3 versus the Aylmer Flames 2-0.

Despite being put out of the tournament early, the Storm pulled it all together with the best team play of the season. Hard forechecking, shots on goal, brilliant defence and "shut the door" goaltending. Way to go Storm!

Smolen Dentistry Bantam A

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

Highland Storm

The Storm shook the Parry Sound Shamrocks on Friday winning 6-1.

It was an entertaining game with the first goal scored seconds into the first period. Quick back and forth passes between Cooper, Lucas Haedicke and Devyn Prentice, resulted in the first goal by Prentice.

The Storm scored a couple more in the second period, starting with Cooper, assisted by Devyn Prentice and Lucas Haedicke. Next goal came off the faceoff in the Shamrocks end, from Manning to Patterson-Smith, a pass to the point with a hard shot by Garbutt that found the opening. The Storm continued strong in the third period. Circling the Shamrocks end, controlling the play, then a shot by Schmidt from behind the net deflected off the goalie for a goal, assists by Turner and Dollo. The next two goals came from strong determination and the Patterson-Smith line. It was Manning and Flood, assisted by Patterson-Smith. With just less than two minutes in the game the Shamrocks managed a goal while on a power play ending the game 6-1. Great work by all the boys on the Storm team.

The Storm travelled to Bancroft on the following day and destroyed the Jets winning 11-1. The goals and assists are just too many to mention. Let's just say, the boys played really well as a team and showed great team spirit cheering on the Jets' effort.

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Tear down the walls

Through my eyes



By Austin McGillion

November 9 marked the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin wall.

Seven thousand balloons marked the peak of the celebration as people around the world were affected by the moving speeches and concerts held on that day. Did the tearing down of this wall affect those of us on the other side of the world? Some would say no. Others, like Bruce Springsteen who held a concert on the eastern side of Berlin while this great wall still separated east and west, would say yes.

I watched the celebrations and was moved by the speeches and felt happiness for those who were there to experience the new united Berlin. But looking back, during the time of the wall, there were grim happenings.

The Berlin wall was built in four

evolutions. The first, in 1961, was a simple wire fence. From 1962-1965 they had "improved" the wall with barbed wire, adding a concrete wall which stayed from 1965-1975. The final layout of the wall, known as the Grenzmauer 75, or border wall 75, begun construction in 1975 and was completed in 1980. The cost to complete it, in U.S. currency at that time, was around \$3 million.

The wall was equipped with several mechanisms to prevent escapes, including anti-vehicle trenches, around 20 bunkers, and 116 watchtowers. The middle ground, the open area between east and west, was known as the "death strip" which was guarded by machine guns embedded in the watchtowers. The entire point of this wall was to separate the communists from

the fascists. In total there were only nine border crossings provided to handle all the traffic going in and out.

I can't imagine not being able to move freely around my own country, let alone a divided city. Imagine if there was a big wall running down the middle of Toronto! I have an aunt and uncle in British Columbia and it would be terrible if they had to apply for visas – like those in Berlin had to – just traveling to Ontario to visit. Even travel between U.S. and Canada is virtually hassle-free in comparison to what the Germans on either side of the wall had to suffer.

This is just one of the reasons I'm so thankful to our veterans, and all our soldiers, who fought for our freedoms and continue to do so. Without their sacrifices,

our country may have turned out much the same way – a place without the freedom to come and go as we please, say and do what we want, and to feel safe.

The wall may be torn down, the Great Wars over, but atrocities still happen across the world today. The reasons for war have changed to extremism and differences in beliefs. Until we learn from history that together we are stronger and better than if we are kept apart, we will never realize world peace. We need to allow history, as was evidenced in Berlin, to remind us to tear down walls and stop building new ones.



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Christmas cheer for sale

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Residents of Parklane Apartments banded together on Nov. 8 to host a Christmas sale for the community.

Hosted by the Parklane Residents' Association, the event featured a variety of items including children's toys, games, Christmas ornaments, wool clothing and baked goods. All proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Haliburton 4Cs Food Bank and Food for Kids.

"It's has been quite amazing," said resident

Doris Roberts, one of the vendors at the event. "It's amazing what people take to."

Head organizer Margaret Robinson said the sale is important to the residents because it helps the community. The event has been held for more than 20 years.

"We did well," said Sandy Wheeler, treasurer of the residents' association. "There was a lot of good cheer between [shoppers] and residents."

Wheeler pointed out that in the past, the fundraiser has also benefitted the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary.



Photos by Mark Arike

Top left: Brian, left, and Allan Wheeler play with the toys they donated to this year's sale. Top Right: Ev Stata stands next to The Wooly Tree after making her selection. Above: Resident Doris Roberts chats with visitors while seated at her table of household items.



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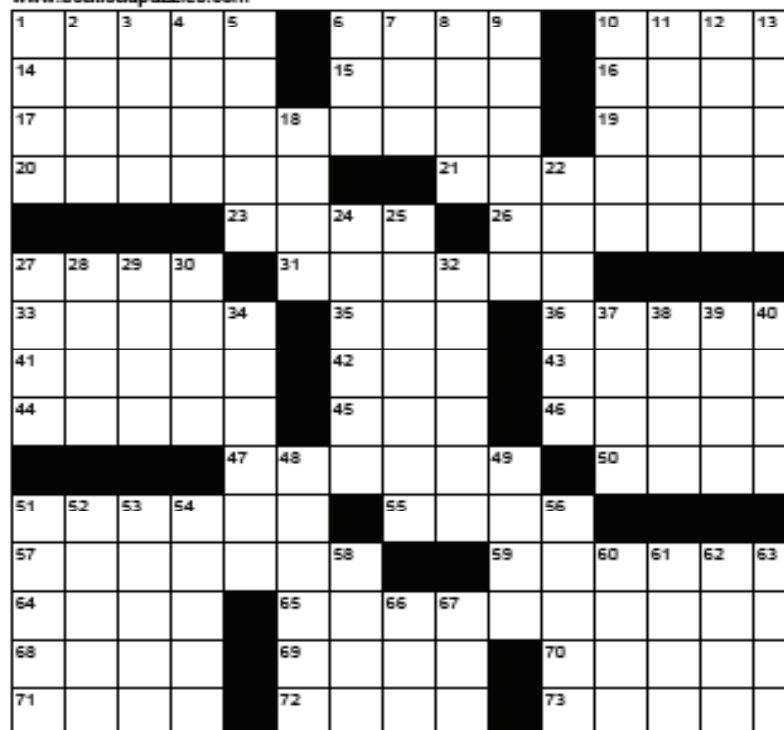
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15. Range
16. Window part
17. Relaxing initial activity
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20. Shooting star
21. Expressed scorn
23. Go up
26. Church leaders
27. Boutique
31. Montreal's country
33. Pigment
35. Coffee server
36. Annoying ones
41. Fat
42. Aye's opposite
43. Sailboat
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45. Time past
46. Make happy
47. Concur
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51. Most recent
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57. President ____ Lincoln
59. Vacation spot
64. Wild hog
65. Think over again
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72. Throne
73. Concise

DOWN

1. Thin
2. Step
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4. Judge's wear
5. Baseball blunder
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7. Noah's craft
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10. Swiftiness
11. Pedro's father
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13. Marsh plants
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29. Toast topping
30. Pillar
32. Unspecified person
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37. She, in Barcelona
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39. Shopping bag
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48. Commences
49. Shore bird
51. Name tag
52. Higher than
53. Teach
54. British noblemen
56. Put back to zero
58. Simple
60. Male parent
61. Aroma
62. Cincinnati baseballers
63. Lumber source
66. Undercover gp.
67. Select

NOVEMBER 2014 EVENTS

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Stanhope Line Dancing Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 9 am to 12 pm Pickleball – Haliburton HHSS 7 pm - 9:45pm Dorset Adult Drop-In Volleyball Dorset Recreation Centre 7 pm	Turkey Supper - St. Anglicans Seatings at 5:30 & 6 pm 705-286-2541 Club 35 Bid Euchre 17459 Hwy 35, Algonquin Highlands 7 pm	MEGA BOWL VII Youth Unlimited 7th Annual Fundraiser - Fast Lanes Bowling Alley 10:30 am - 4 pm Snowflake bazaar Haliburton legion 9 - 2 pm	Minden Hills Bid Euchre Minden Community Centre 1 pm - 4 pm
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Club 35 Tai Chi Classes Dorset Recreation Centre 12 am Table Tennis Club - 5:30- 7:30 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre Club 35 Bid Euchre 17459 Hwy 35 7 pm - 10 pm	Dorset Quilters and Needleworkers - Dorset Recreation Centre 9:30 am - 11:30 am Stanhope Shuffleboard Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 1pm - 4 pm Dorset Community Policing Committee Meeting Dorset Recreation Centre 7:30 - 9 pm	Minden Hills Pickleball Minden Community Centre 9 am -12 pm Minden Hills Bid Euchre Minden Community Centre 1 pm - 4 pm Haliburton Highlands Camera Club - meeting, Minden Legion 7 pm	Stanhope Line Dancing Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 9 am to 12 pm Pickleball – Haliburton HHSS 7 pm - 9:45pm CFUW - Fleming College -A photographers look at beauty 7 pm
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FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
HALIBURTON VILLAGE SANTA CLAUS PARADE Tree Lighting and Carols 6 pm - Parade 6:30 pm Club 35 Bid Euchre 17459 Hwy 35, Algonquin Highlands 7 pm 5th ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES Minden Hills Cultural Centre 10 am - 8 pm	5th ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES Minden Hills Cultural Centre 10 am - 8 pm GLITTER - Minden Hills Cultural Centre 6 pm - 12 am Highlands Chamber Orchestra - Northern Lights Pavilion 7:30 pm	5th ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES Minden Hills Cultural Centre 10 am - 8 pm	Club 35 Tai Chi Classes Dorset Recreation Centre 12 am Haliburton Scottish Country Dancing J.D.Hodgson Elementary 7 - 9 pm Table Tennis Club - 5:30- 7:30 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre
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WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION NOV 13 - NOV 19, 2014

Haliburton Branch General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m. Bridge, Monday 1 p.m. Open dart night, Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot on last Wednesday of the month	Minden Branch Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m. Seniors "B-d" Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m. Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime. Creative Crew, Thursday, 10 a.m. Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m.	Wilberforce Branch General meeting, Thursday, 7 p.m. Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome! Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
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Highlander events



Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Top: Patrons peruse a table of purses on sale at the Haliburton International Film Festival. Above: Daniel Perlmutter, writer and director of Big News from Grand Rock, answers audience questions after the screening of his film at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

HIFF brings world to the Highlands

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Over 1,200 people received the red carpet treatment at the eighth annual Haliburton International Film Festival (HIFF) held Nov. 7-9.

Seven films from around the world were screened at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion during the event, which was hosted by Those Other Movies. They included Chef, The Lunchbox, Wadjda, Like Father Like Son, Tracks, Big News From Grand Rock, and The Great Beauty.

The screening of Big News From Grand Rock included a question-and-answer session with the film's writer and director, Daniel Perlmutter. Sunday's Italian-themed wrap-up party featured music, food and refreshments.

Local yoga instructor Lynda Shadbolt provided a movement group for those who got stiff from watching movies all day.

"This is the first year we had no glitches," wrote HIFF committee member Tammy Rea in an email.

Rea said that audiences really enjoyed the contrast in the two films shown on Friday night that were about food. Another highlight was Perlmutter's special appearance.

"[He] was an entertaining guest and gave the audience a few more chuckles," she said.

Rea thanked the community for their ongoing support of the festival.

"We love our audience! They come for these gems that open the heart and soul, and we love finding movies that will stimulate them. This is truly an artistic community, on so many levels."

Throughout the festival, members of the Haliburton Highlands Grannies sold refreshments and snacks with all proceeds going to the Stephen Lewis Foundation. This year the group raised about \$700.



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What's on

Rhubarb launches Heat Bank fundraiser

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A Carnarvon restaurant is teaming up with Heat Bank Haliburton County to help keep families warm this winter.

Terri Matthews, co-owner of Rhubarb Restaurant in Carnarvon, said she became interested in the new initiative after reading about it on social media.

"It just really resonated with me," said Matthews in an interview.

"I guess just the thought of families having to choose between heating or eating really just struck a chord."

Matthews got in touch with John Teljeur, co-founder of Heat Bank Haliburton County. The two brainstormed ideas and decided to collaborate on a fundraiser in November.

Doing it at this time of the year, said Matthews, would give people an idea of what it's like for those residents who haven't yet paid off their heating bills from the previous year and as a result, are wondering how they will be able to afford to heat their homes this winter.

Heat Bank Haliburton County's mission is "to increase the supply of and ease of access to emergency firewood and heat for vulnerable residents of Haliburton County."

The program falls under the umbrella of A Place Called Home (APCH), a charitable, not-profit organization that has been providing shelter and support services to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless since 1995.

The program was formed in the spring, following what was a long, grueling winter.

"We started brainstorming and we all agreed that if we go back to another winter like the one we just had - and don't do anything differently - then that's just foolish," said Teljeur.

The groups engaged in discussions for about a month before deciding on the model they would adopt - one that not only identifies heating needs but ties together the many social services available in the community.

Teljeur pointed out that APCH has been running a fuel program since 2004.

"What we really liked about the way

they did things was that it wasn't just about giving them fuel or wood, they were actually ... working with clients on a one-on-one basis to find solutions over and above that donation of wood or fuel," he said.

With trained staff in place, the charity will provide client case management and

intake assessment services at no cost to Heat Bank Haliburton County.

"Once they've done the intake process ... [they would] see if there are any other programs that might help them out," he said.

In doing their research, Teljeur said they didn't come across any other fuel programs in North America that connected clients to other support services this way.

Wood depots have been strategically placed in locations in Minden, Haliburton, Stanhope and two in Highlands East.

The first Haliburton County Heat Bank Fundraiser will take place on Nov. 16 at

Rhubarb from 6-10 p.m. The event will include hors d'oeuvres, live entertainment from Toronto musician Chris Smith and an auction full of items donated by local businesses, organizations and individuals.

Guests will be able to enjoy wine donated by Fielding Estates Winery, craft beer donated by Boshkung Brewing Company and food donated by Gordon Food Service and Rhubarb. The restaurant's staff are also donating their time to help with the event.

"The hope for us is that every single penny raised goes directly to the Heat Bank," said Matthews.

Teljeur expressed his gratitude to the restaurant for their generosity and encouraged the public to support the cause.

"They stepped up huge to help us and we're so appreciate of their efforts," he said.

"We'd all love a chance to meet with the people in the community to tell them about what we're doing and why what we're doing makes so much sense, and also how it's going to help people."

Tickets for the fundraiser are \$50 per person and can be purchased by 705-489-4449.

For more information about the program visit heatbankhc.ca or call Tina Jackson at 705-306-0565.

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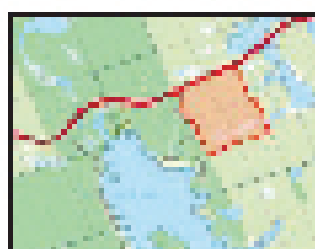
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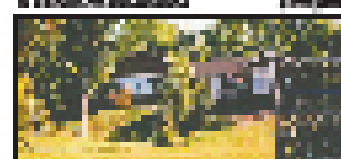
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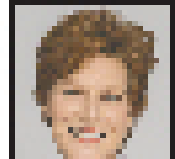
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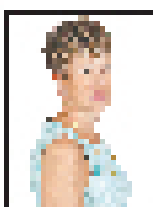
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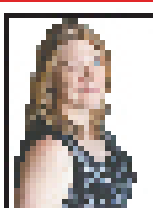
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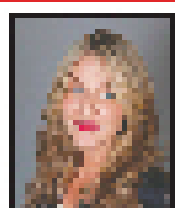
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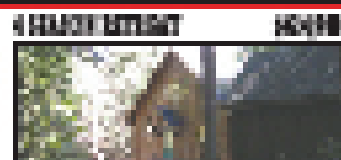
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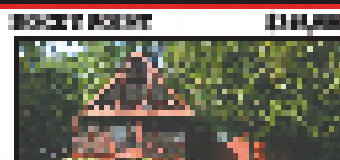
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